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It is no punishment for Microsoft to "give" 1B dollars of software and training to poor schools.

When Microsoft gives software to people who would not buy it anyhow, they are losing only pennies at most. Giving software to schools is a marketing scheme that worked well for Apple. So, where is the punishment?

Bartering is for people who don't have money. With this fine Gates won't feel a thing. Get actual dollars and let the schools and projects the government decides on, and let the schools and project managers themselves decide what to spend the money on.

Don't fine them what they can produce out of thin air.